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METHOD AND DEVICE FOR SUBRETINAL DRUG DELIVERY

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Dear Sir:

Preliminary Amendment

This application is an RCE of prior U.S.S.N.: 09/888,079, filed on June 22, 2001. The following is in response to the Advisory Action mailed June 22, 2006. Applicants kindly ask that the above-identified application be amended prior to examination as set forth herein.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.